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## SUBMISSION OF FAVORABLE INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of a favorable International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) completed November 2, 2000 which issued in connection with the PCT International Application upon which the above-identified US Application is based. It is requested that this favorable IPER be made of record in connection with this application.

If any questions remain regarding the above matters, please contact Applicant's representative, Andrew D. Meikle, in the Washington metropolitan area at the phone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees

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required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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